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"NOW...IT IS ALL SHATTERED,
INTO PIECES OF CHAOS."

H-HELP
ME...
PLEASE...

SMITH--?!



WHAT
HAPPENED
TO YOU?

I...RESIGNED...
COMING HERE
TO TELL
YOU...
ATTACKED...

'ATTACKED
BY WHOM,
SIR DENIS?'

BY...BY...



BUT
THEY'RE
NOT
EXPECTING
US, CLIVE.

THEY'RE NOT
LIKELY TO
TURN US
AWAY!

WE JUST WANT
TO SEE HOW THEY
ARE, MELISSA--
PATCH THINGS
UP.



BESIDES, I'VE NEVER
KNOWN LITTLE LEIKO
TO TURN DOWN A FEW
SIPS OF BOLLINGERS.

AND
PERHAPS
WE CAN EVEN
INITIATE CHI
TO THE JOYS
OF BRITISH
BUBBLY.



WELL, WELL, WHAT
HAVE WE HERE?

EH--?!
SEE HERE,
WHAT'S
THE
MEANING
OF
LURKING
IN THE
SHADOWS?

AND JUST WHO
THE DEVIL ARE
YOU?



...BY... MY
NEPHEW...
LANCASTER
SNEED...

... ALSO KNOWN
AS...

"-SHOCKWAVE."

SURPRISED? SO AM I--SHOCKED, ACTUALLY. I WAS REALLY PURSUING MY UNCLE--AND WHAT A STROKE OF LUCK WHEN HE LED ME HERE TO THE PUNK SHANG-CHI AND LEIKO WU.

BUT NOW, RUNNING INTO YOU AS WELL--SEEMS MY LUCK JUST CAN'T BE STOPPED. YOU SEE, YOU ARE ALL ON MY LIST...

LIST, HUH?

WELL, CHALK THIS UP ON YOUR--

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FIRST HEARD HIS NAME,
WITHIN AN OFFICE AT
MI-6..."

YEAH. AND IF
I'M RIGHT,
YOU COULD BE
IN FOR SOME
BIG TROUBLE
WITHIN THE
HOUR.

YOU SEE, THERE WAS ONCE AN
AGENT HERE AT MI-6 NAMED
LANCASTER SNEED-- BEFORE
HE GOT CAUGHT IN A SHRAPNEL-
BURST WHILE ON A MISSION IN
NORTH AFRICA... AND GOT
HALF HIS FACE RIPPED OFF.

SEEMS HE
DIDN'T TRUST
PLASTIC
SURGERY.

HAD HIMSELF RE-
BUILT WITH METAL
PLATES INSTEAD--
SAID IT WOULD HELP
HIM IN HIS LINE OF
WORK--TURN HIM
INTO AN ARMORED
TANK OF A MAN.

ANYWAY, SNEED WANTED TO
CUT HIS CONVALESCENCE
SHORT AND GET BACK TO
WORK-- UNTIL SMITH'S
DOCTORS GAVE HIM THE BAD
NEWS. HE WAS LET GO--
FIRED-- DECLARED "MEN-
TALLY UNFIT" FOR DUTY IN
THE SERVICE.

AND IF HE
WASN'T
MENTALLY
UNFIT
THEN,
GETTING
DROPPED
FROM
DUTY
MADE HIM
SO!

HE WENT TO THE ORIENT TO LOSE HIMSELF, BUT HE KEPT HIS BODY FIT--STUDIED YOUR BAG OF TRICKS, SHANG-CHI, THE MARTIAL ARTS. HE THEN JOINED A CARNIVAL AS A SORT OF MARTIAL ARTS FREAK--

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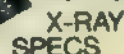
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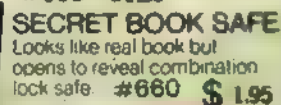
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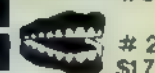


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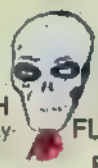


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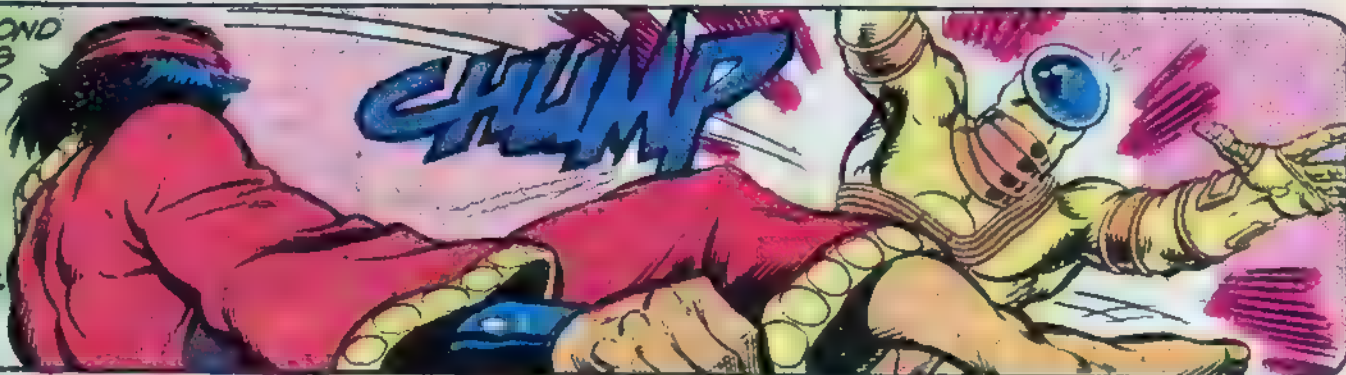


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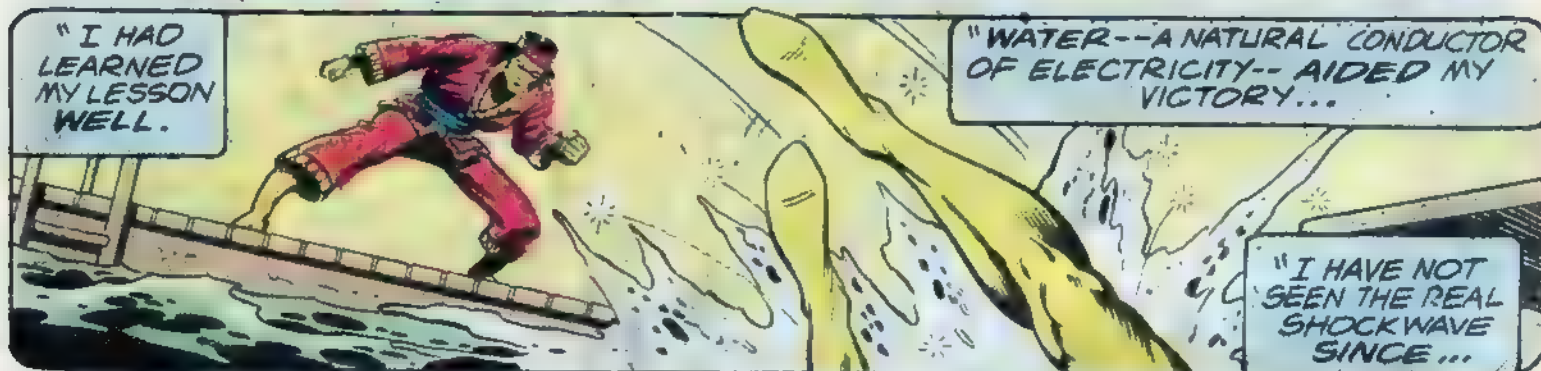


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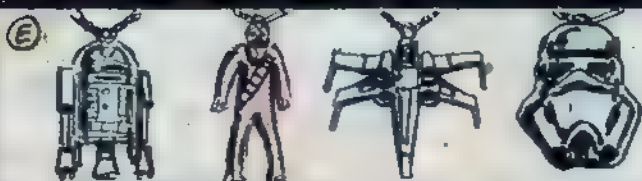


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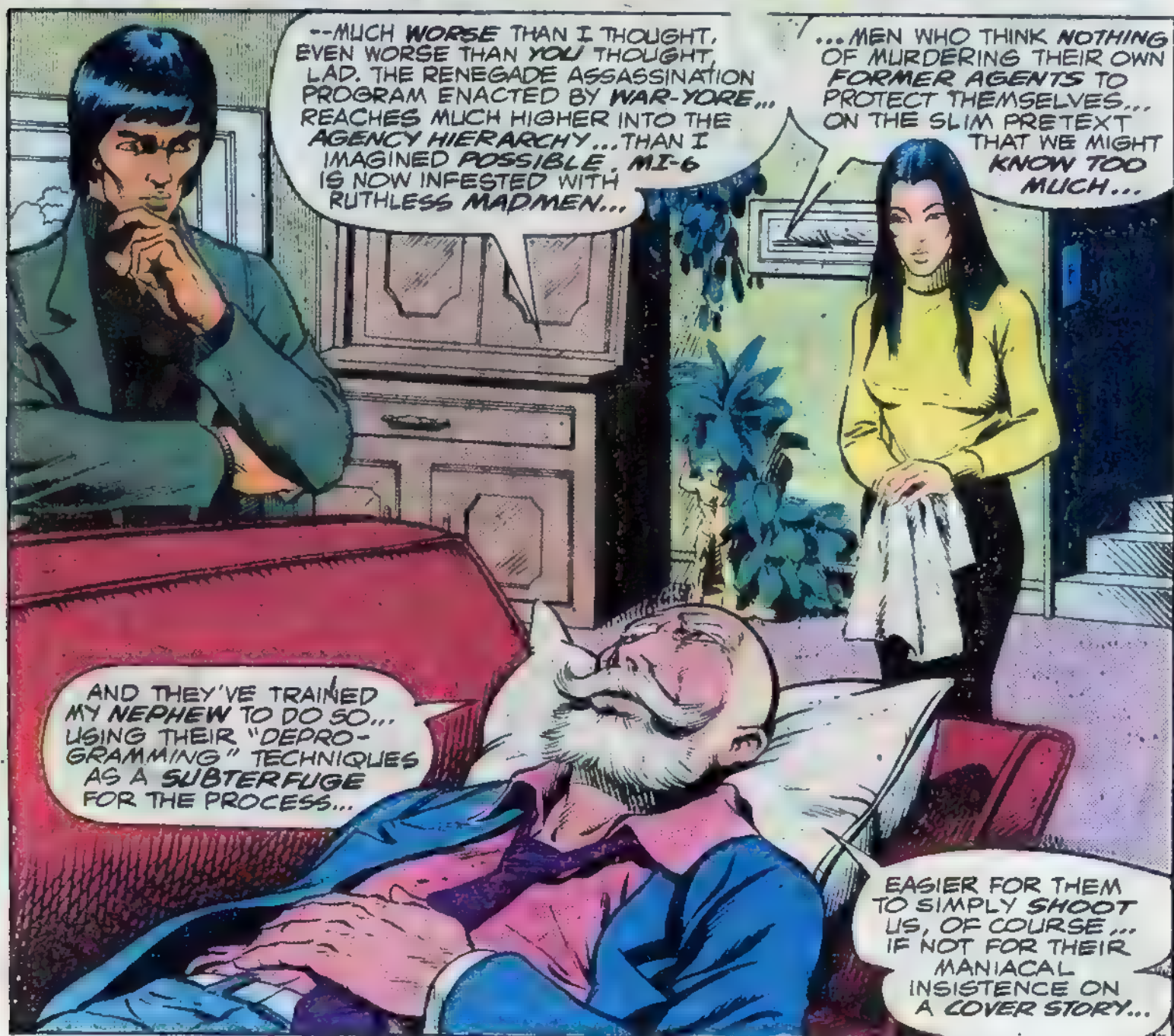
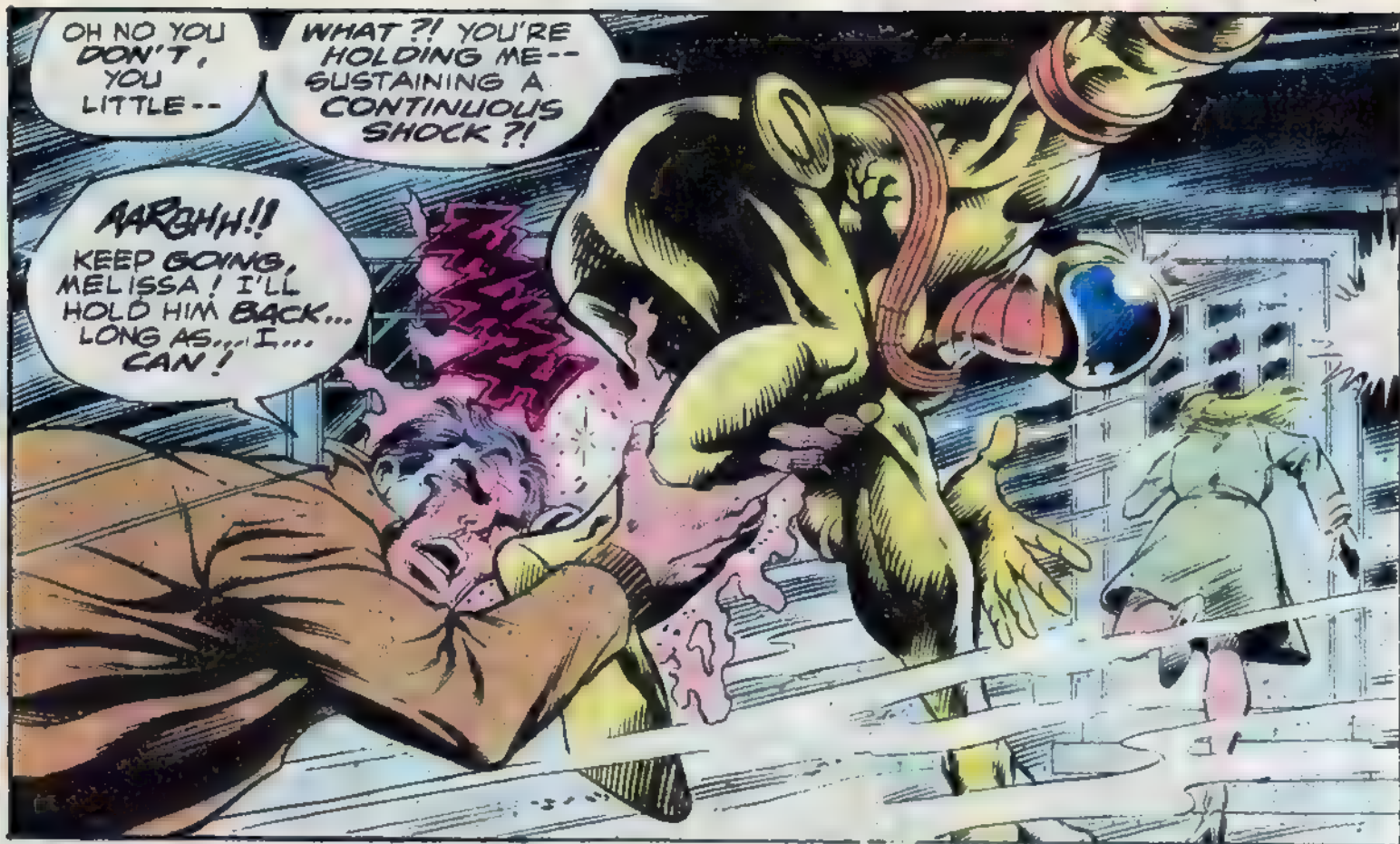
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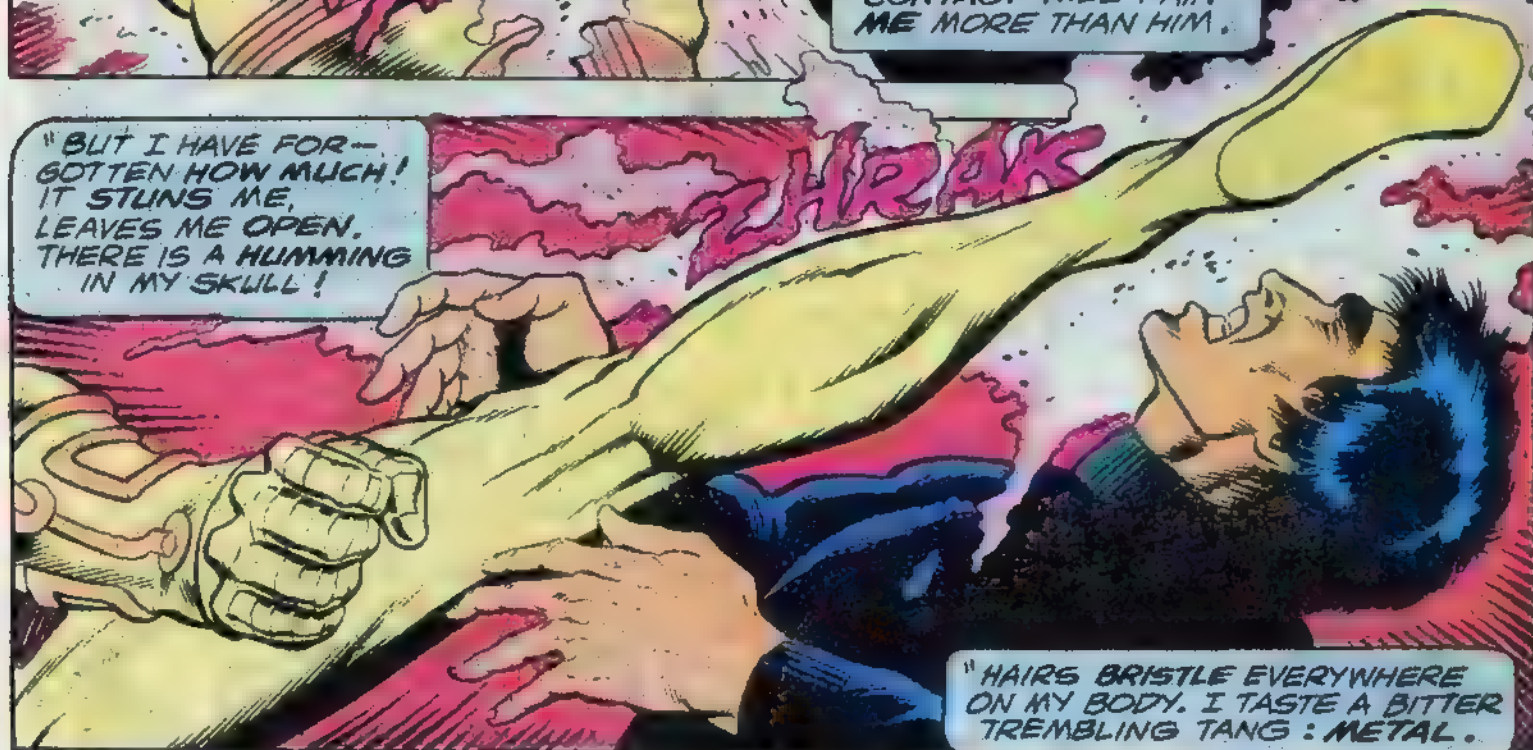




"AND NOW, I
STRIKE--"

"--KNOWING THE MERE
CONTACT WILL PAIN
ME MORE THAN HIM."

"BUT I HAVE FOR--
GOTTEN HOW MUCH!
IT STUNS ME,
LEAVES ME OPEN.
THERE IS A HUMMING
IN MY SKULL!"

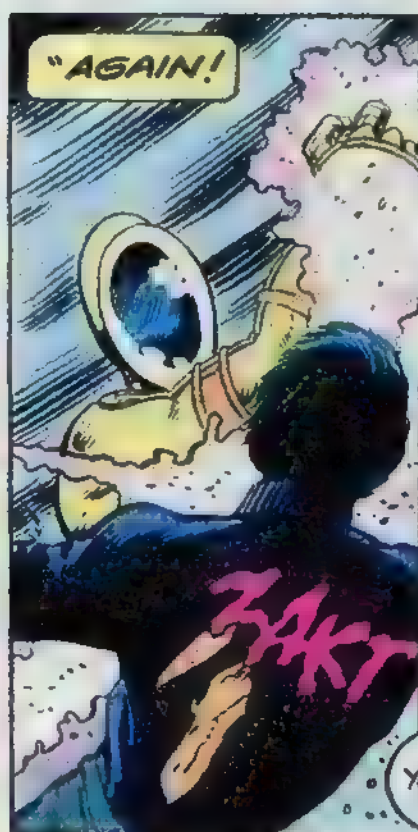


"HAIRS BRISTLE EVERYWHERE
ON MY BODY. I TASTE A BITTER
TREMBLING TANG : METAL."



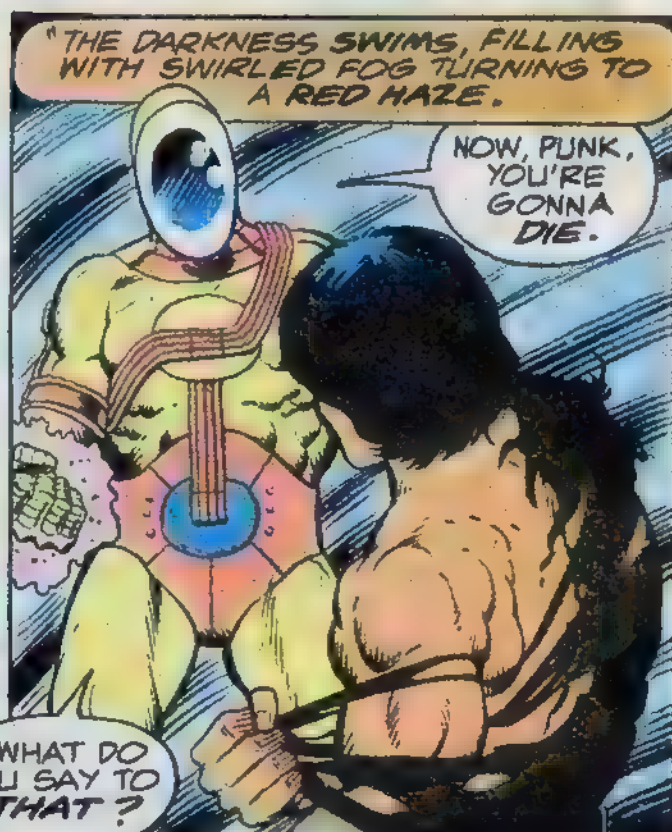
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"AGAIN!"

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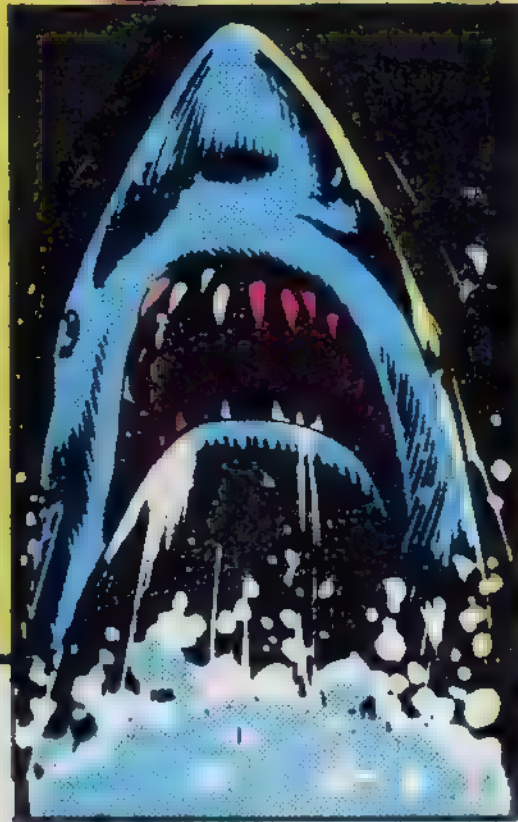


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YOU'RE
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SPECIAL NOTE: A goodly number of you faithful Marvel minions have been taking us to task for missing letters pages with greater frequency of late. Believe us, we are as dismayed about it as you are—especially since in 95% of the cases, a letters page has been assembled, typeset, and pasted up for the issue in which it made its non-appearance. You see, due to a shift in printing schedules, our printers have been getting the books on the presses without waiting for the letters pages. Well, we've straightened out that problem at last, and until some new problem comes along, you can look forward to regular page-loads of your priceless praise and pans. Keep writing, friends!

Hi Doug—

All right! A Gulacy cover (beautiful!) while the story itself has become a baroque extravaganza as everyone *except* the Si-Fan is playing a cross between "cops and robbers" and "button, button" over those insane crates! Thanks for including the neutron bomb plans—a very *real* menace to me, and one over which I can work up enough angst to suspend my disbelief at Kogar's "bizarre" (your word) hideout. Looks a little like old times at Hydra, but what the hey, those *were* good stories—and as far as characterization goes, you've had 'em outclassed all along. The ludicrous bumbling of the MI-6 agents gave me a chuckle—just enough humor to carry the narrative past the tense period of waiting, and to set up a contrast for the shocking twist in the last panel wherein Shang-Chi "surrenders."

Doug, you write great mystery stories, tales which are actually difficult to appreciate in 17 page monthly installments—that is, to *fully* appreciate. When this multi-parter is finished, I intend to do it justice in a one-sitting reread... something I don't do with just *any* comic, you know. And I recommend this to your other readers too.

My only objection so far is the art, which I find mediocre. A more creative inker would help a lot; Jim Craig is not a *bad* penciler by any means, but he needs a *great* inker to make his work shine, that's all.

This letter would be incomplete without some reference to the Celestial One and the Si-Fan, so let me inform you that I was sitting on my front porch one morning when I suddenly realized exactly *who* Fu Manchu's American wife is! I will name no names, but suffice to say that the convincing reports of her "suicide" by sleeping pills were so demonically clever that even I was fooled for years!

Cat Yronwode
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Dear Marvel,

To say that Doug Moench's "Black Knights" in MASTER OF KUNG FU #65 was fast-paced would be akin to saying Rembrandt's "Night Watch" was a pretty good painting. Rarely, if ever, have I seen a comic book story that went by so fast and still had so much depth to it. Plot details and character elucidation are often sacrificed on the comics altar of fast action, one reason why it is so refreshing to read a tale achieving such lofty heights in terms of excitement without losing track of what the whole thing is about. Watching Shang-Chi fight desperately to keep Juliette and himself alive while Clive Reston and Miss Greville and Leiko Wu and Black Jack Tarr all try to unravel the mystery surrounding Shen Kuei was a bit like viewing "Thunderball" (still, to my mind, the best of the Bonds) for the first time. A great many thrilling things happened in a very short period of time and, though some of the details were thrown at us one on top of the other, everything neatly fell into place once the many seemingly disjointed events were connected during the course of the story. In this instance, the tie that binds was a common-looking crate whose contents are still a mystery. But, to paraphrase Sam Spade, we know the value in life certain people put on it—certain people like Kogar, a bloated modern pirate who arranged the death of Shen Kuei's brother through the actions of a pitifully unsuspecting Juliette; people like Skullcrusher, a heartless assassin with ice water in his veins; people like Pavane, a sadistic hellcat who is definitely more than a kitten with a whip. With such a cast, it's not surprising that "Black Knights" had a lot going for it as far as violent conflict between its characters is concerned. But what *is* surprising, and enormously impressive, is that such a great story got told so fast and so well without anyone being slighted and without the main protagonist being robbed of the spotlight. Doug, I really don't know how you did it, but I want you to know it's really appreciated.

Ed Via
1648 Dean Rd.
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Dear Doug,

Comic distribution being what it is over here, I've only just read MOKF #61, but I just had to write and let you know how much I appreciated it.

"Glass Orchids" was a particularly apt title. There was something very fragile and delicate about this story. I felt that at any moment the characters involved might crumble or shatter at the slightest indelicate touch. And this was also true of the story itself; in many ways it reminded me of "The Clock of Shattered Time" in that the plot always seemed to be connected by the slenderest of threads.

Fitting, too, to use the hobbies of the main characters in the manner they were. Both orchids and stained glass served not only as recurring themes but also as exceptional metaphors for the inner lives of Leiko and Reston.

Which leads to one of MOKF's strongest points: Not only does this comic have one of the largest supporting casts anywhere, but also the best developed, and the only one which seems to continue developing. They are not static stereotypes but real people who change and grow as their lives develop around them. In this book it is not only the hero's "rising and advancing of the spirit" we are privileged to witness.

Finally, the Fleetwood Mac bits were another nice touch.

I hope you can maintain this high standard of writing. If so, many of us will rise and advance with you.

Dean Smith
39 Upland Ave.
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As you've probably noticed, People, we've kept uncharacteristically quiet until now, the better to conserve space for the letters themselves. This necessitates a collective vote of thanks to Ed, Cat (Hmmm?), and Dean, whom we hasten to assure—along with the rest of you—that yes, indeed, we hope to maintain the level of quality exhibited in the past. At MOKF, we always try to specialize in being special. For example...

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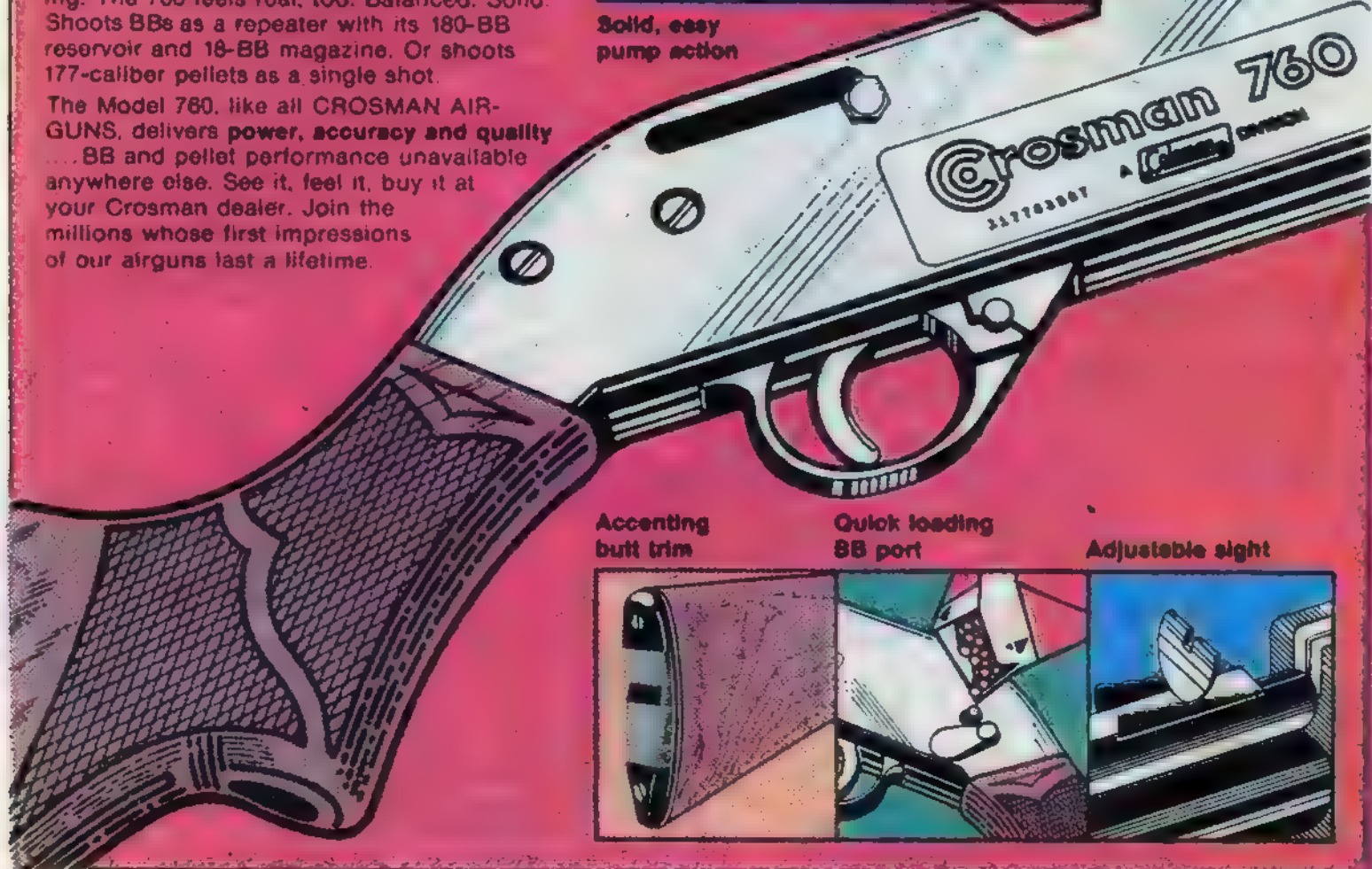
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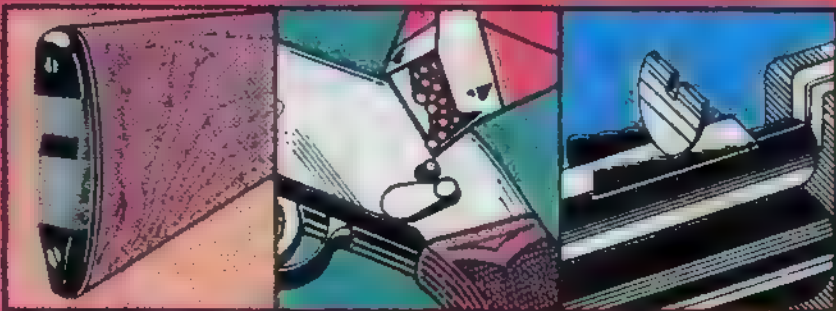
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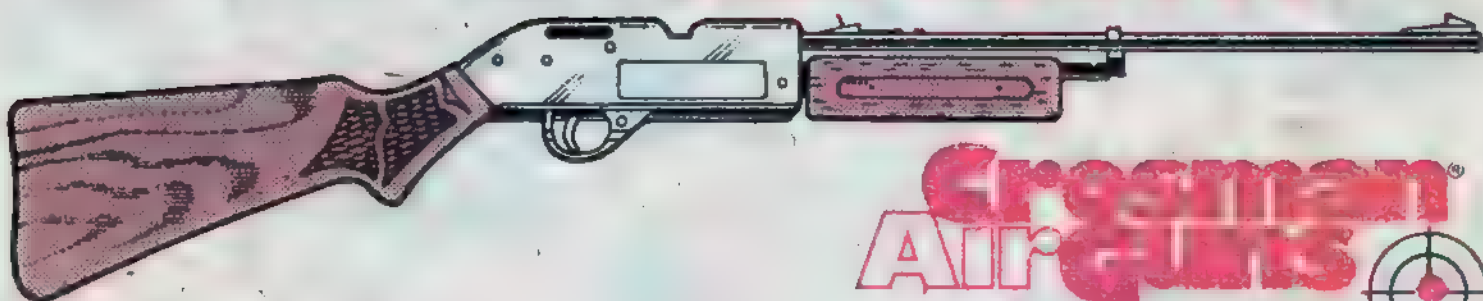
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I SAY: I AM NOT READY TO DIE, SHOCKWAVE.

ARE YOU?

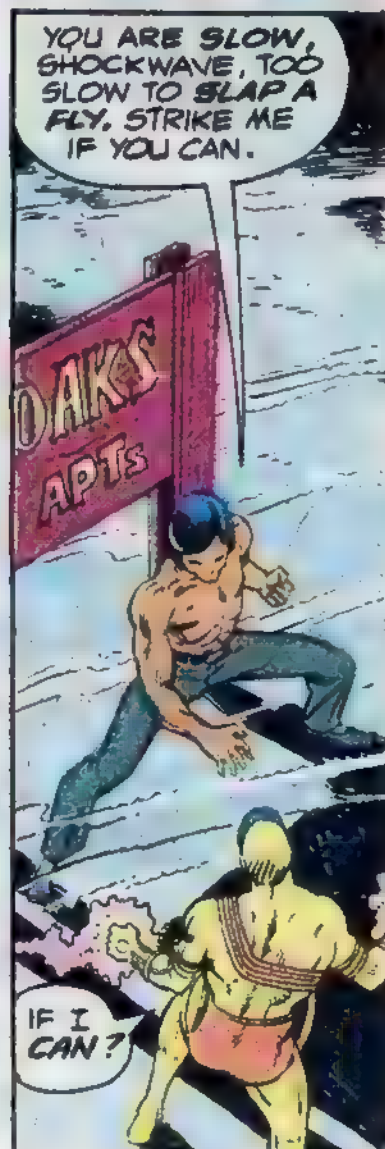
HAH! THAT'S A LAUGH!

"YES...



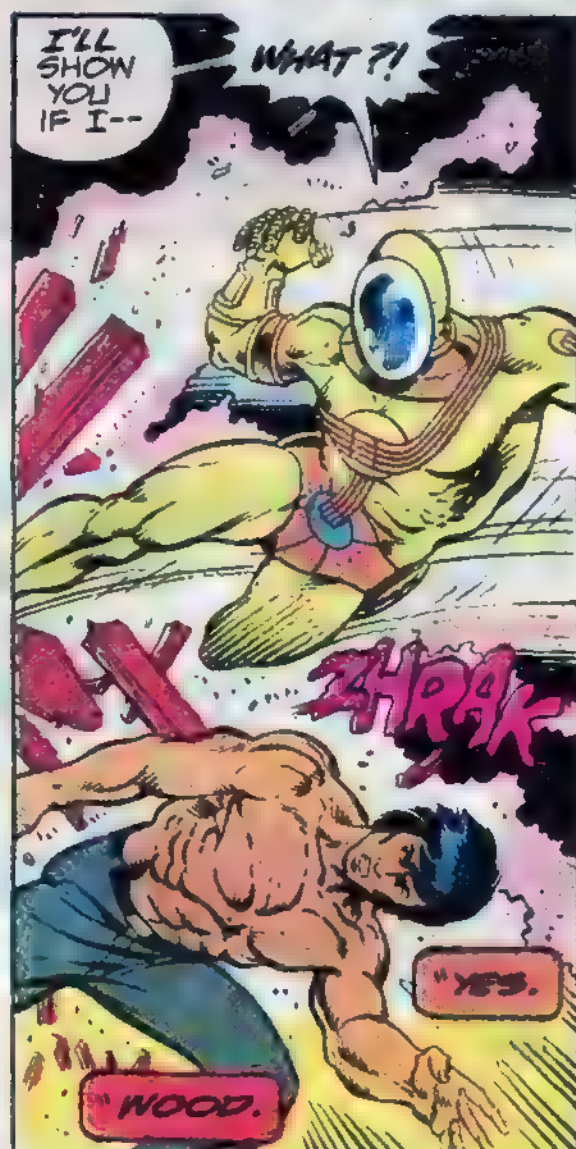
"... BUT MY OWN BOASTING HAS GAINED ME FURTHER RECOVERY. STILL, I CAN HARDLY SLAY HIM WITHOUT **KILLING MYSELF**. I CANNOT EVEN **TOUCH** HIM... UNLESS...

"WOOD.



YOU ARE SLOW, SHOCKWAVE, TOO SLOW TO SLAP A FLY. STRIKE ME IF YOU CAN.

IF I CAN?



I'LL SHOW YOU IF I--

WHAT?!

ZHRAK

"YES.

"WOOD.



"I STILL CANNOT TOUCH HIM.

I REPEAT,
SHOCK-
WAVE.



"...UNLESS I DO SO WITH
INSULATION..."

SPRAKT



"WITH WOOD.

ARE YOU?

ZROKT



IT'LL BE ALL
RIGHT,
SIR DENIS.

CAN'T GET A
CLEAR SHOT--
MIGHT HIT
SHANG OR
CLIVE...

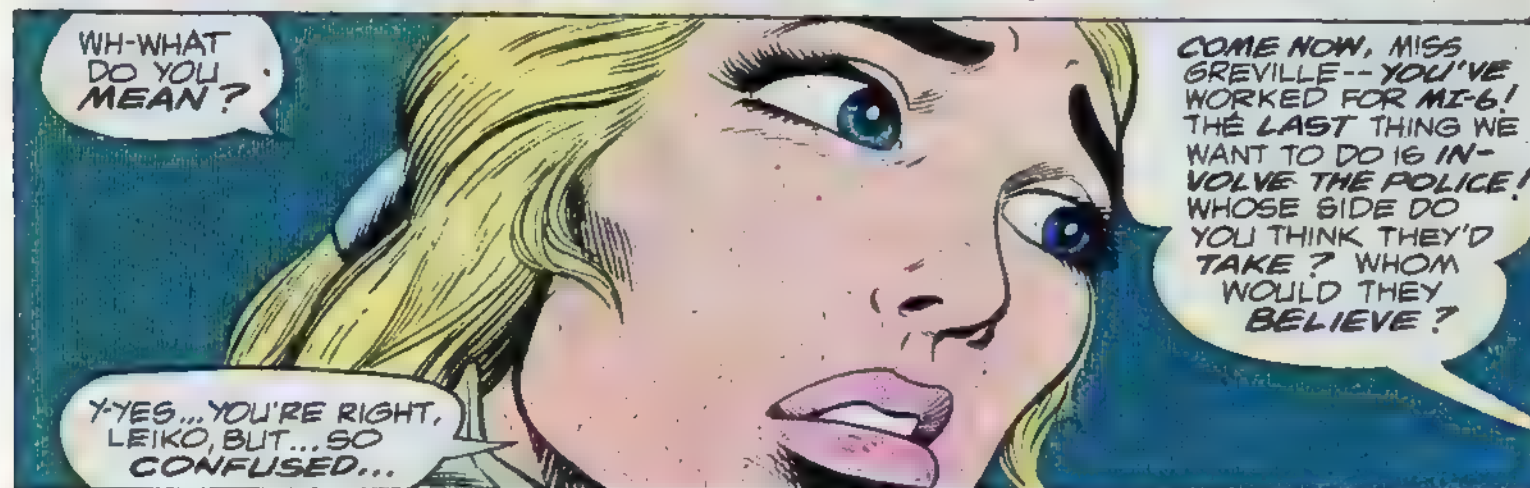
NO!



**NO! THIS CAN'T BE
HAPPENING! WE'VE
GOT TO DO SOME-
THING--MAKE IT
STOP--RING THE
POLICE!**

NO...

SIR DENIS IS RIGHT--
AND YOU SHOULD
KNOW IT!



WH-WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN?

COME NOW, MISS
GREVILLE--YOU'VE
WORKED FOR MI-6!
THE LAST THING WE
WANT TO DO IS IN-
VOLVE THE POLICE!
WHOSE SIDE DO
YOU THINK THEY'D
TAKE? WHOM
WOULD THEY
BELIEVE?

Y-YES...YOU'RE RIGHT,
LEIKO, BUT...SO
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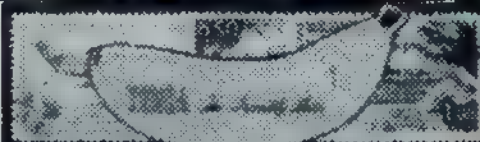
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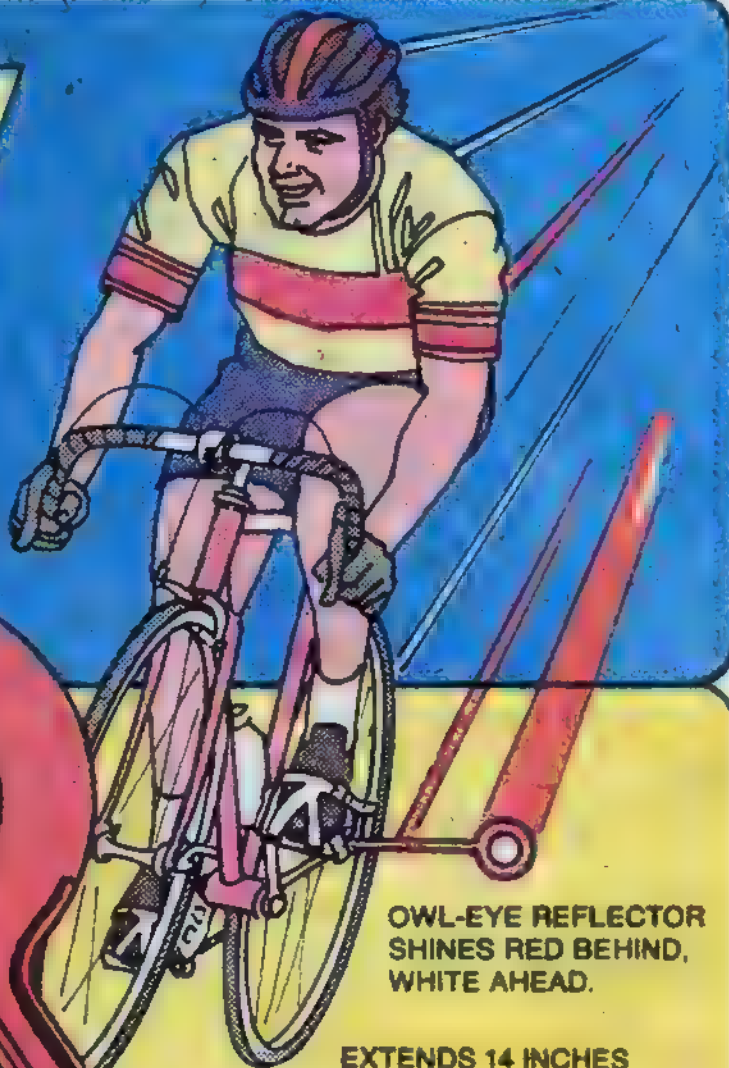
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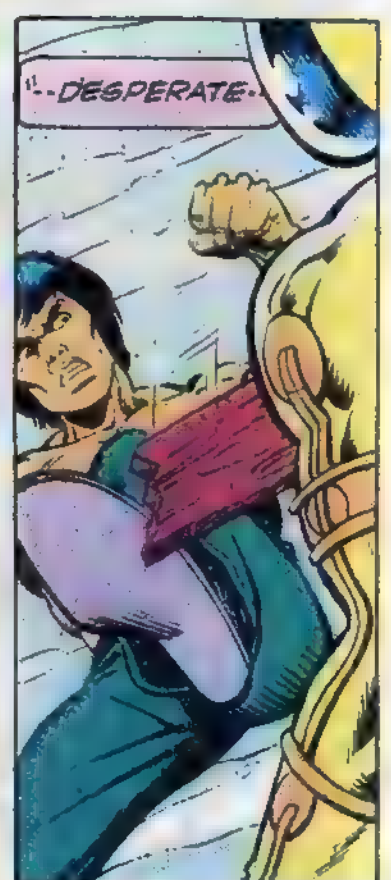
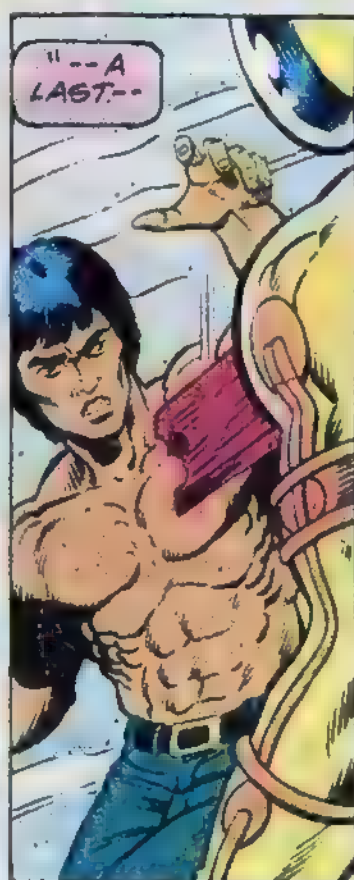
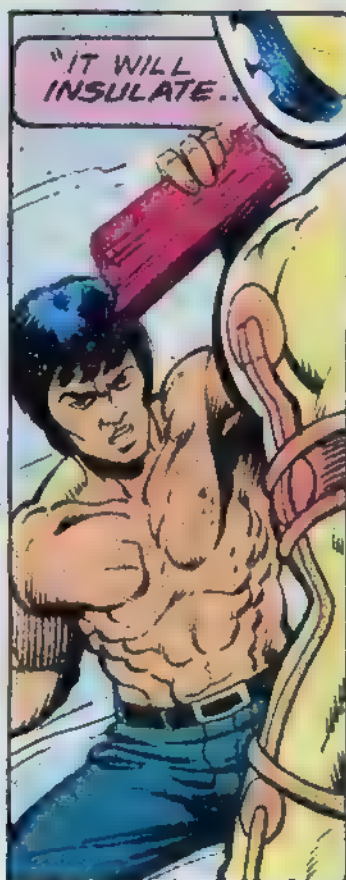
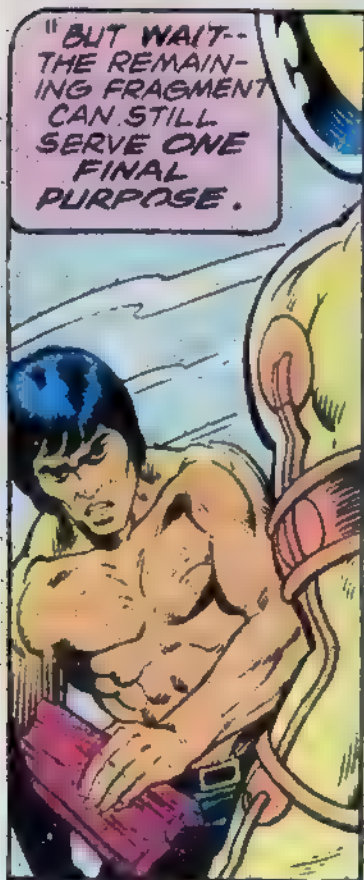
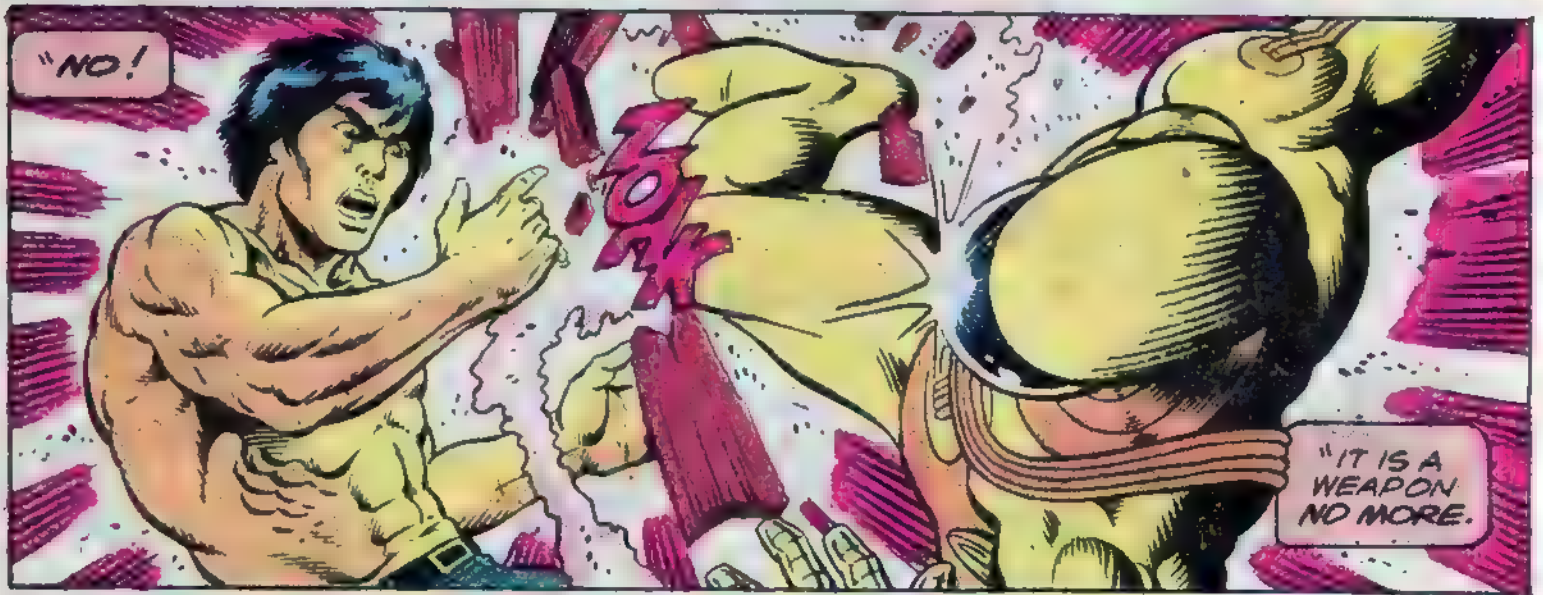
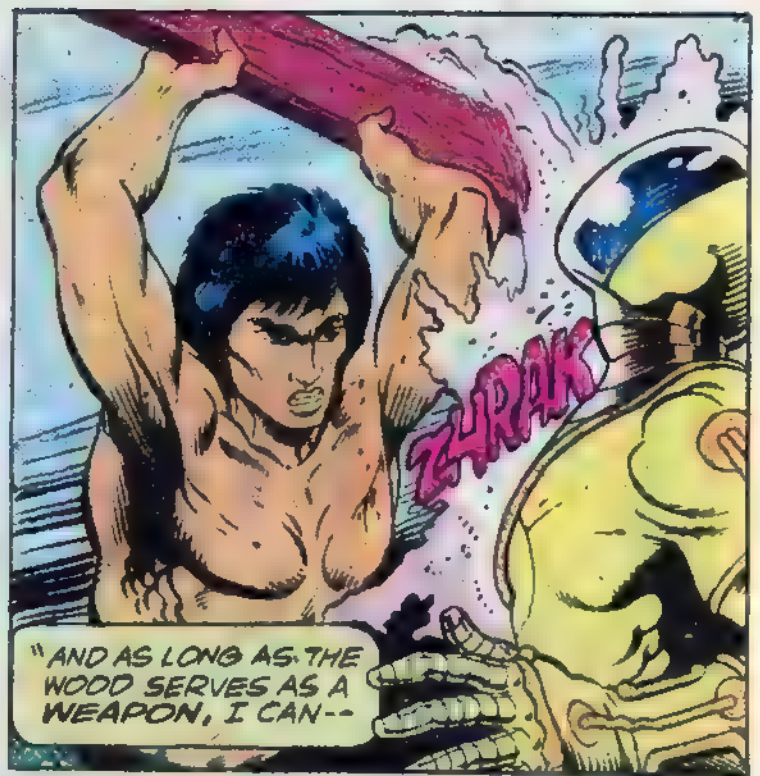
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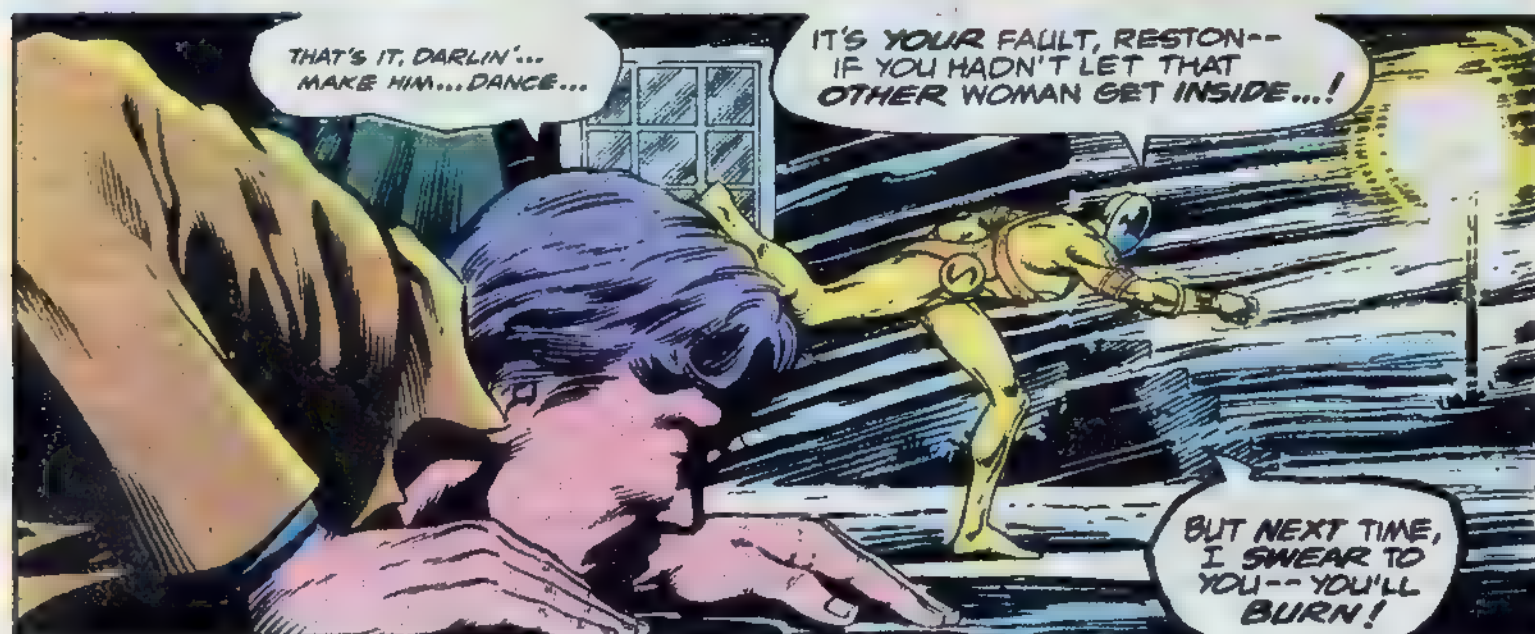
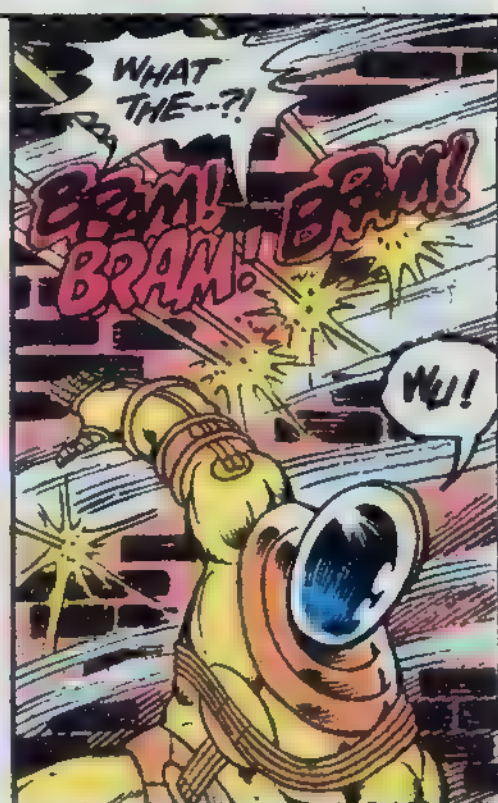
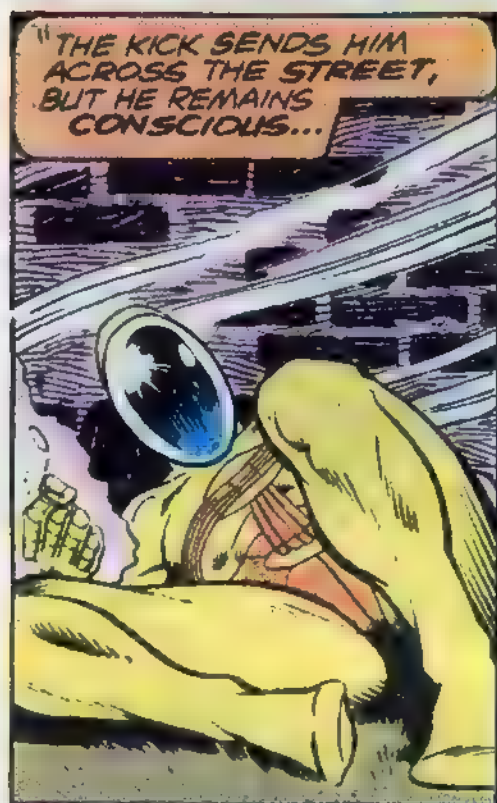
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STAN'S SOAPBOX

Y'know something? I thought I was making life easier for myself when I asked you to send me ideas for things to write about here in the Soapbox. But, you can't win! Now it takes longer to read all the letters than it used to take to think up my own subjects! But, I shouldn't really complain because some of your suggestions and ideas are really great. However, no matter how strongly you suggest it, I absolutely won't trade jobs with Irving Forbush—so stop sending those petitions, huh? (I didn't know ol' Irving had so many friends—who knew how to write!) Anyhow, here's a question that's cropped up in many many of your letters, so I might as well tackle it right now. "How do you explain the fact that mighty Marvel is so much better than its 'Distinguished Competition'?" (Boy, I dunno why I pick the tough ones!)

First of all, while I appreciate the implication inherent in the question, I must—in all fairness—reject it. We do our stories in a certain style, and they do theirs in their own way. To call one style "better" or "worse" is just a mat-

ter of opinion. Our competitors, and that includes Archie Comics, Harvey Comics, and Gold Key, as well as D.C., all have tremendously talented and capable artists and writers producing their books. In fact, many people working for other comicbook companies used to work for us at one time or other, and may do so again. A great many of them are long-time personal friends of ours. Some have learned their trade in the Marvel Bullpen, and some have helped to teach us ours.

I guess what I'm trying to say is, sure we want Marvel to be your favorite comicbooks, and sure we'll knock ourselves out to produce the best stories and artwork in the field. But we don't wanna succeed at anyone else's expense. We don't want you to feel you have to knock the other guy in order to be loyal to us. The better our competition is, the more it'll keep us on our toes—and the more you'll profit by it!

Okay, now that I've finished putting in my pitch for *all* the great guys and gals who toil in our little storybook world, let me admit that no one enjoys some friendly rivalry and spirited compe-

tition more than we do—just so long as you remember that the watchword is "friendly". Our competitors aren't the "bad guys". They can't help it if Marvel leads the way! (Whoops! There I go again!)

Anyway, now that I've ended my exemplary expiation, I promise that next issue I'll give you a serious opinion as to the real difference in editorial approach and attitude between our competitors and Marvel. Remember, it'll just be one guy's opinion, but I think you may find it interesting. So, till then remember—we all need each other. Even a superhero can't do it alone!

Excelsior!

Stan

P.S. After I got this whole thing written, I remembered I said, last ish, that this time we'd answer the question "Is Irving Forbush a real person?" And now there's no room! Well, never fear. We'll get to that after next month's column—that'll give me two more months to figure out the answer myself!

ITEM! Did you hear that Marvel's latest entry in the humor field is becoming the magazine sensation of the year? Fans describe PIZZAZZ as sort of a cross between Crazy and the Lampoon. PIZZAZZ was originally planned just for the younger teenage reader, but you can't keep a dynamite idea under wraps for long—so now everybody's getting into it! It may sound like "pizza" with a couple of extra "z's", but if you really want to blow your mind with the most colorful slick-paper mag in town, just call for PIZZAZZ! Only 75¢! Hurry, before we come to our senses!

ITEM! Let's face it—*nobody* hits a home run every time he goes to bat. Even the mighty House of Ideas can't claim to be perfect. Every single issue of, say, DAREDEVIL or even the FANTASTIC FOUR, flagship of our line, isn't always going to turn out to be as wonderful as we'd hoped. Under the awesome pressure of monthly deadlines, every once in a while, something just doesn't work out right, and we have to settle for a triple or a double instead of the four-bagger. It isn't for lack of trying, guys, believe us! And, of course, it makes us feel all the more proud and happy when the creative combos are clicking, and we do come up with a real bases-loaded circuit blast! Like what, for instance, you inquire? Well—I!! We're so glad you asked!

ITEM! Marvel Super Special #7, featuring the comics adaptation of box office blockbuster JAWS II is without a doubt the most dazzling comics magazine produced in recent history. It may well be the most beautiful comics magazine ever created! That's quite a statement, we realize, and yet we make it with utter confidence. In fact, we're so delighted and proud of this masterwork of our craft that we're going to dispense with the hard sell and take the space to thank those responsible. Our sincerest to Gentleman GENE COLAN for his powerful pencilling; to Ingenious IRV

WATANABE for his neat, precise calligraphy; to Terrific TOM PALMER for his superb inking, and for his stunning, masterful airbrush coloring the like of which we have never seen. Thanks also to Battlin' BOB LARKIN for the inspired cover painting, and special thanks and congratulations to offset editor Rakish RICK MARSCHALL who not only coordinated the free-lancers' efforts with the not-inconsiderable contributions of the Marvel Creative Staff, but found time to write the adaptation as well. JAWS II, in full, glorious color is on sale everywhere now! We wish we could just give everybody a copy, we're that proud, but go ahead, spend the \$1.50. You won't regret it.

ITEM! Not content with merely one box-office smash adaptation, somehow in the midst of our usual chaos, we managed to fit in *another* full-color Masterpiece! We'll give you a hint: it's about the hottest rock movie of the year, featuring stars like Peter Frampton, The Bee Gees, and George Burns; it's magical, musical and was inspired by the greatest rock group of all time! Those of you who guessed *The Jasha Heifetz* Story can go back to dusting their Rachmaninoff albums. Those of you who correctly assumed we meant SGT. PEPPER'S LONELY HEARTS CLUB BAND, please step to the head of the class, then out the door and to your newsstand! Take a buck and a half with you, ask for Marvel Super Special #6, and *don't* take no for an answer! We can't wait to hear your reaction to the wonderful work of DAVE (the Dude) KRAFT, GEORGE (Pacesetter) PEREZ, JIM (Madman) MOONEY and the rest of our crack creative team!

ITEM! Yes, there's *more*—the most requested encore in Marvel history to be exact! Once again, it's KISS, the fieriest, most fabulous, most frantic rock group *ever*, appearing in Marvel Super Special #5! It's in full, blazing

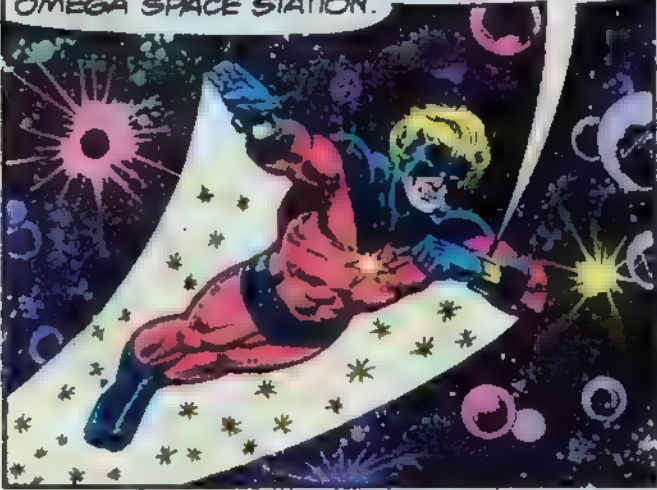
color, natch, and you guessed it, it'll set you back a hundred and fifty pennies, but the Bob Larkin cover *alone* is worth the price. Inside, Reliable RALPH MACCHIO, Jet-propelled JOHN ROMITA, JR. and Trailblazin' TONY DEZUNIGA have combined to create a sizzling story with absolutely unbelievable visuals! We've sworn not to reveal the stunning *shock-ending* of the tale, but we didn't promise not to tell about the magnificent bonus *fold-out-poster* in each and every copy. You've got to see it to believe it, but unless you hurry up and grab one, they'll all be gone!

ITEM! Still more? You bet! We've got yet *another* Super Special (#8) coming out any minute, but the whole project is so darn secret we dare not to do more than mention it! A word to the wise—watch your TV listings and your local newsstand for BATTLE-STAR GALACTICA! Nuff said!

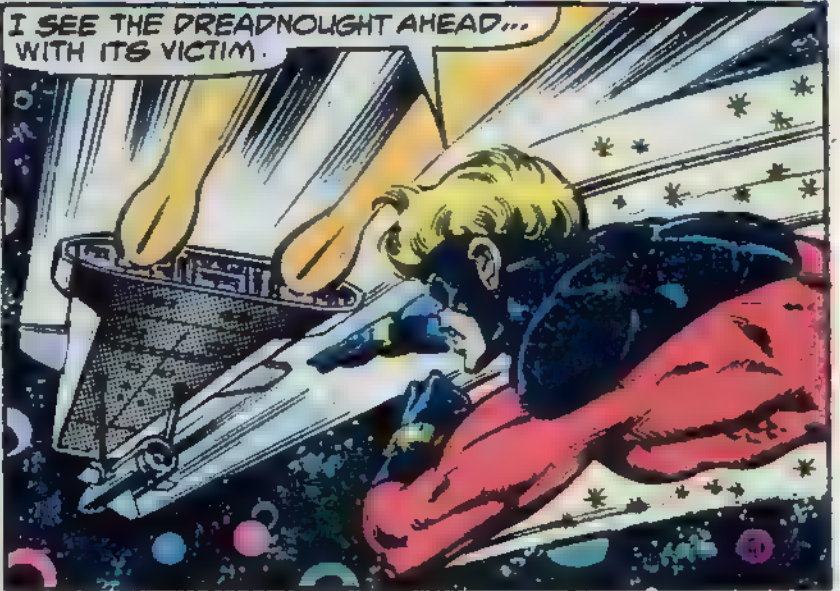
ITEM! Just in case you think we've forgotten our roots, we hasten to reassure you that yes, we still publish our regular line of 35¢ color comics—and make no mistake, we love 'em best of all! We haven't lost our sense of wonder, nor our pride in the magnificent magazines that made Marvel! Check out Daredevil #156 if you don't believe us, and prepare to be *dazzled* by the Gene Colan/Klaus Janson art! And there's a whole new team giving BLACK PANTHER #13 a whole new look that's really worth a look! FANTASTIC FOUR #202 features the most demanded guest-penciller ever, (guess who!) and it's just plain great! And if you haven't noticed X-MEN lately, you're missing the most talked about ever-unfolding epic since the 111ad! In this day and age, who'd have believed that 35¢ could still buy all that excitement! So what are you waiting for?

CAPTAIN MARVEL™ MEETS THE DREADNOUGHT

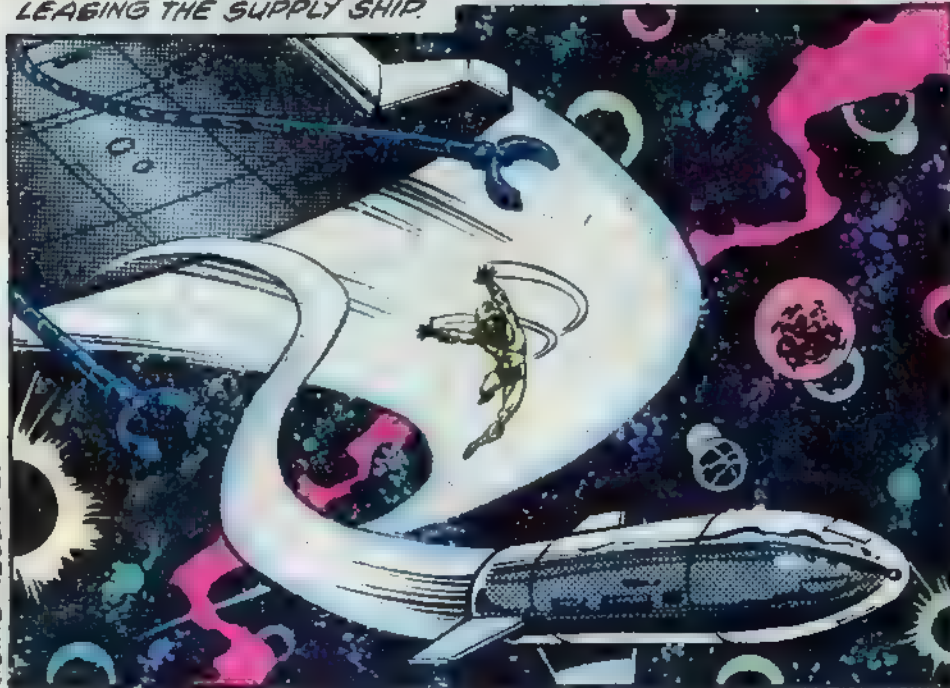
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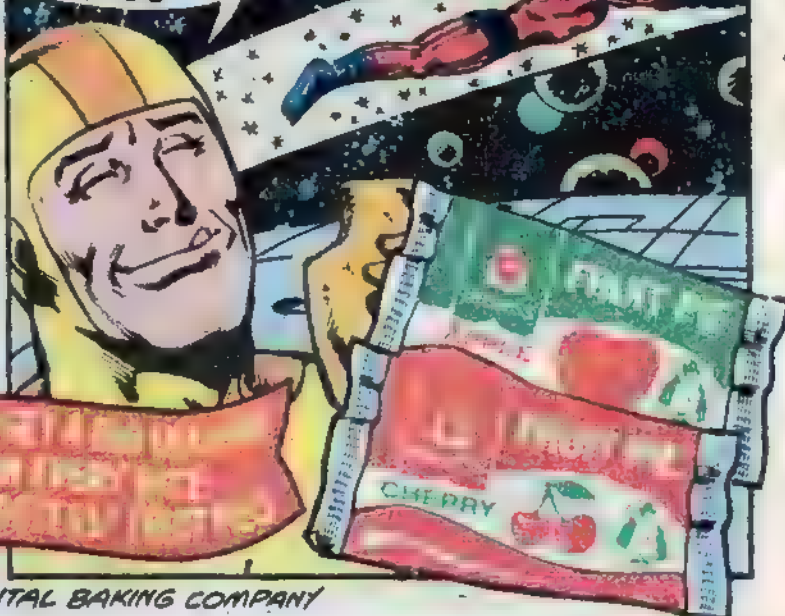
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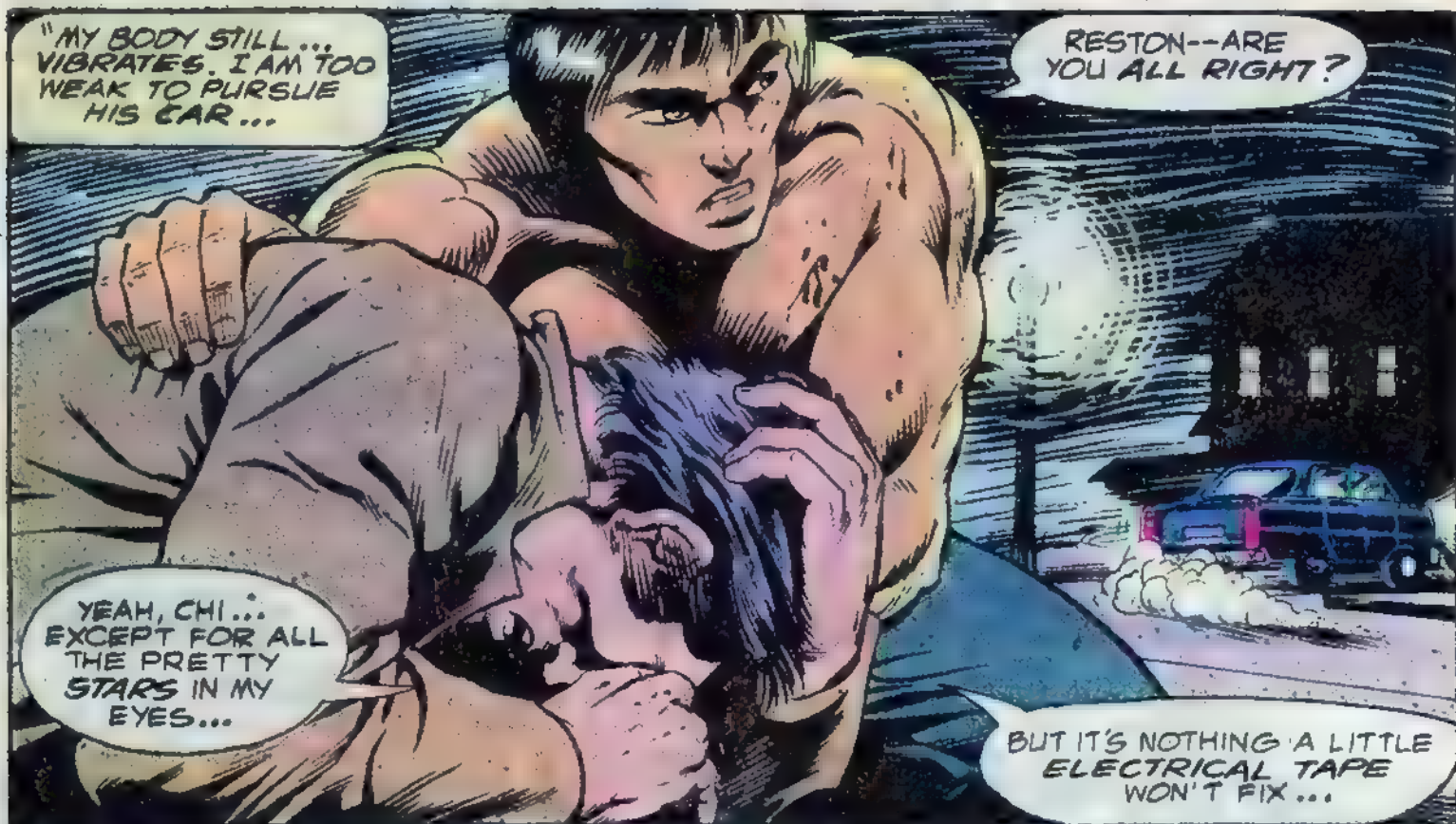
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"MY BODY STILL...
VIBRATES. I AM TOO
WEAK TO PURSUE
HIS CAR..."

RESTON--ARE
YOU ALL RIGHT?

YEAH, CHI...
EXCEPT FOR ALL
THE PRETTY
STARS IN MY
EYES...

BUT IT'S NOTHING A LITTLE
ELECTRICAL TAPE
WON'T FIX...

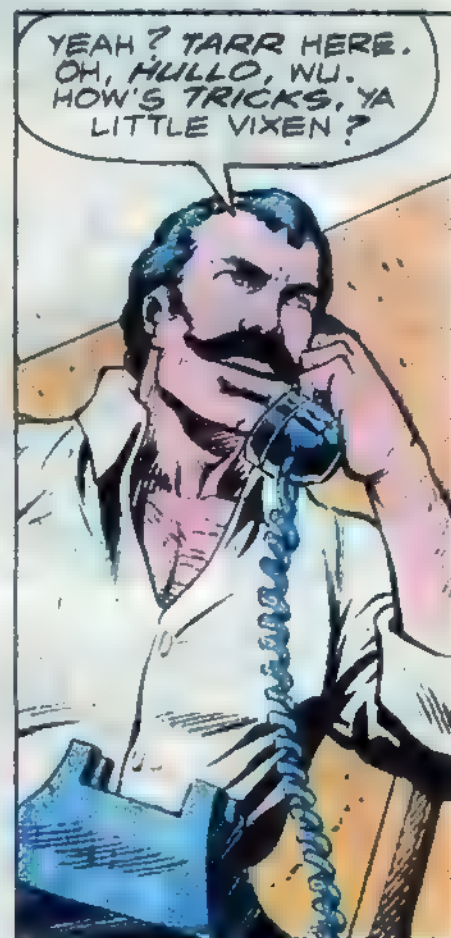


YEAH, THIS FRAZETTA
BLOKE SURE KNOWS
HOW TO COOK UP A
BLOODY GOOD
PICTURE, ALL
RIGHT...



AND BLAST THE HOTEL'S STUPID
RULES. ANY SCENE THIS
POWERFUL DESERVES A
LITTLE HOLE IN THE WALL
OR I AIN'T--

BOOM!

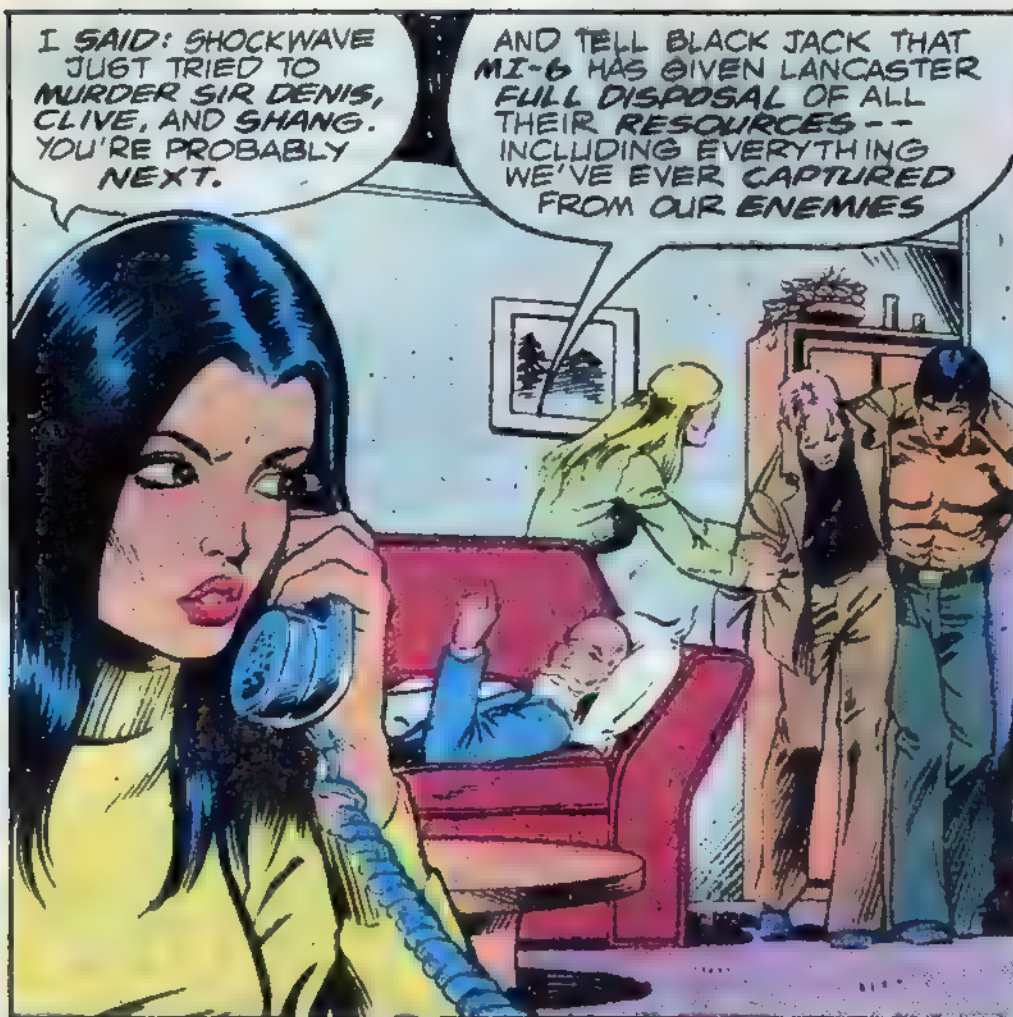


YEAH? TARR HERE.
OH, HULLO, NU.
HOW'S TRICKS, YA
LITTLE VIXEN?



WHAT--?!
YA GOTTA BE
BLINKIN'
BALMY!

SAY THAT
AGAIN!!



I SAID: SHOCKWAVE JUST TRIED TO MURDER SIR DENIS, CLIVE, AND SHANG. YOU'RE PROBABLY NEXT.

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ALL RIGHT, WU, I GUESS I HEARD YA RIGHT THE FIRST TI--

WHAT'S UP, DOC?



BLACK JACK--? ARE YOU THERE?! WHAT'S WRONG?! IS SOMEONE ELSE THERE WITH YOU--?

YEAH... IN A MANNER OF SPEAKIN'... "SOMEONE" ELSE IS HERE, ALL RIGHT...

BRYNOCKI.

PREPARE TO DIE, THOU BASE TRAITOR TO THE CROWN!

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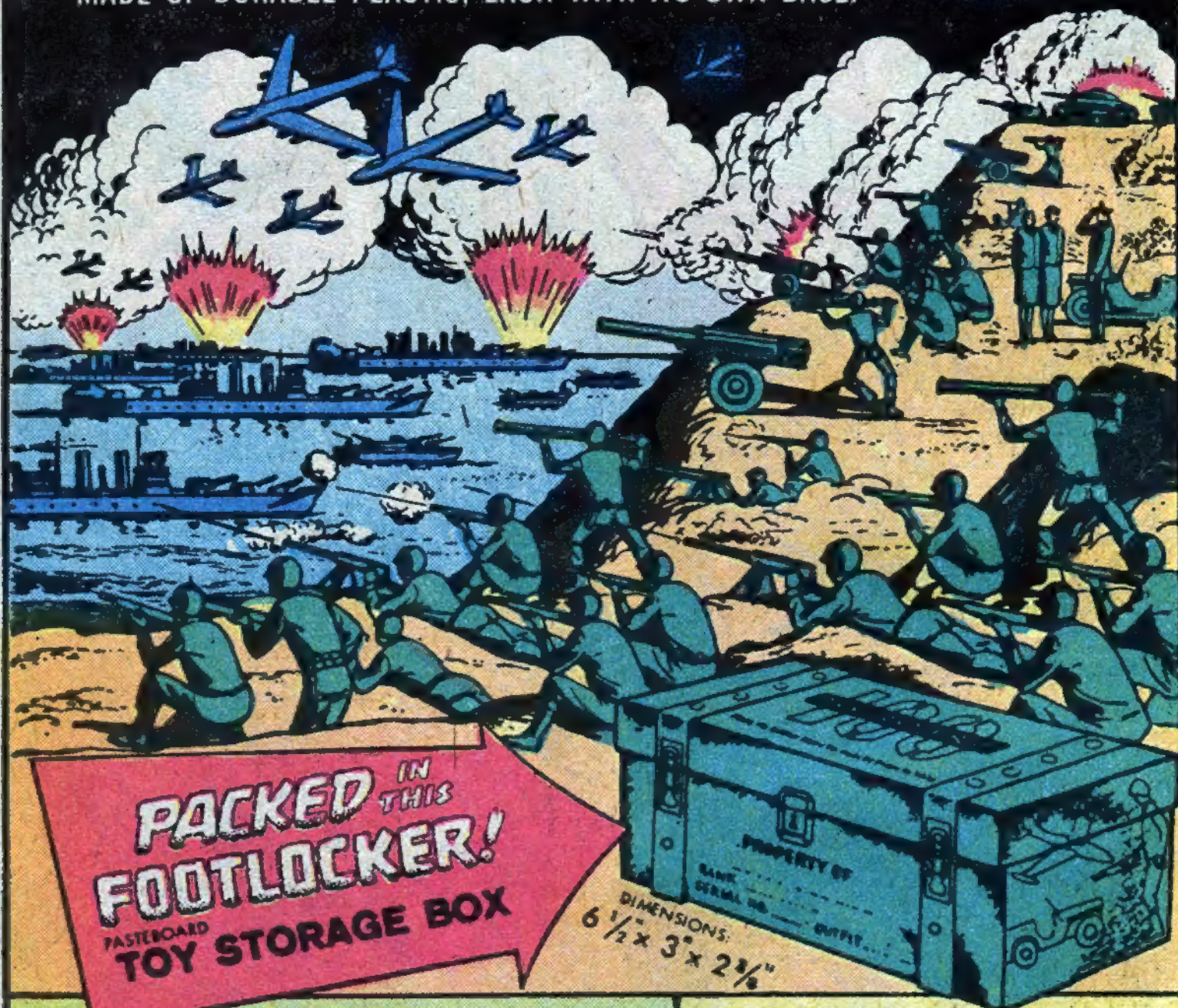
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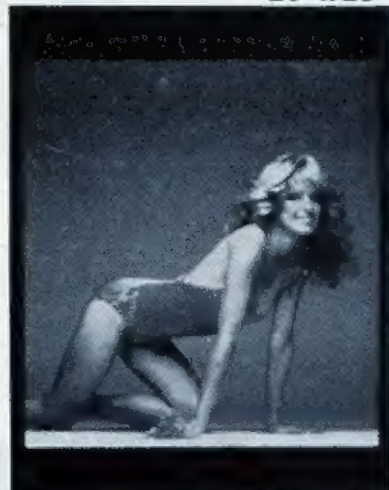
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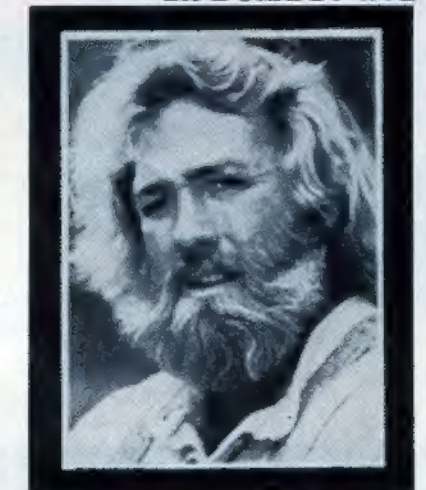
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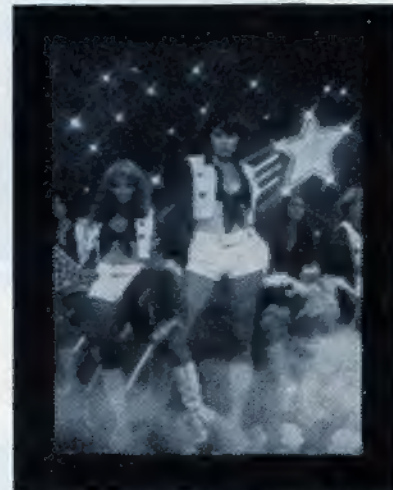
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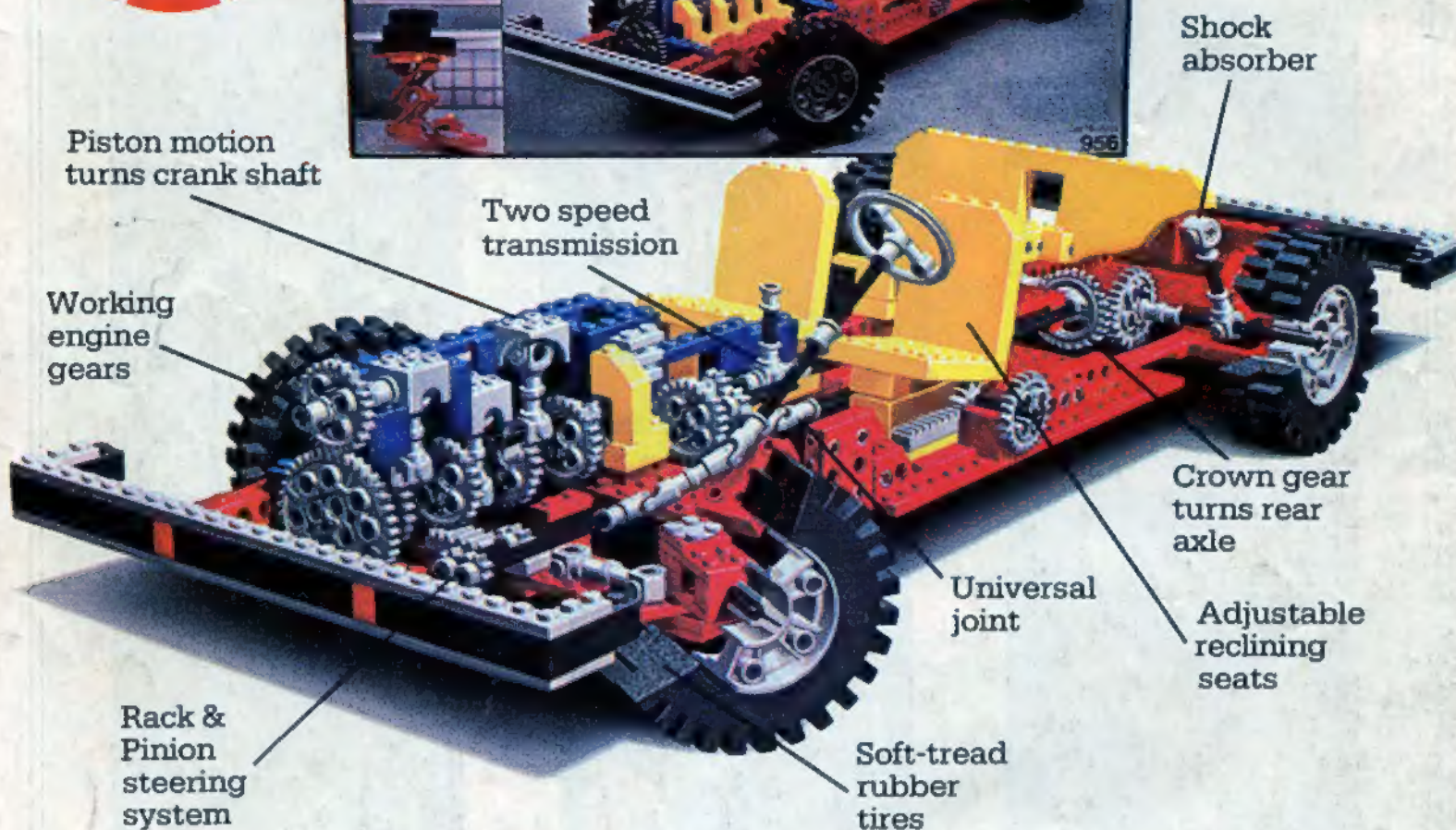
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